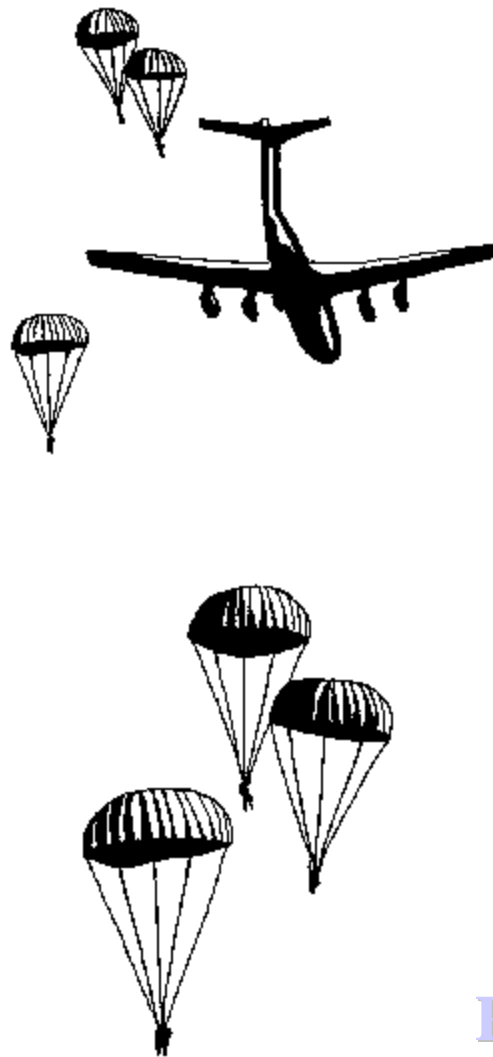


# XVIII AIRBORNE CORPS & FORT BRAGG



PRIVATE LANDS INITIATIVE (PLI)

STRATEGIC FORCE...DECISIVE VICTORY

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## SITUATION

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- DoD lands host more Threatened & Endangered species than any other federal agency
- Army installations are becoming “ecological islands”
- North Carolina Sandhills has the 2nd largest Red-Cockaded Woodpecker (RCW) population in the U.S.
- Subpopulations occur on Fort Bragg and Camp Mackall
- Recovery of the RCW depends on connecting the subpopulations

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## **PRIVATE LANDS INITIATIVE OBJECTIVES**

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- **Maintain military readiness and reduce training restrictions**
- **Recover the RCW and other associated species**
- **Preserve the longleaf pine ecosystem at the landscape level**
- **Leverage resources of private and governmental organizations**
- **Increase public recreation opportunities**



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## **RCW RECOVERY STRATEGY BENEFITS**

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- **Reduce training restrictions**
- **Maintain land in best condition for realistic training**
- **Provide additional off-post training areas for Fort Bragg**
- **Achieve results through partnering that neither partner could achieve alone**
- **Preserve green space**
- **Increase public recreational opportunities**



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